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OPSB Staff Report of Investigation

Case No.: 10-542-GA-BNR

Project: South Avenue and South Detroit Avenue High Pressure Pipeline Replacement Project Phase 4

Applicant: Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc.

Report Date: 27 May 2010

Automatic Approval Date: 4 June 2010

Waiver Request: None

Inspection Date(s): 6 May 2010

Staff Assigned: E. Steele and J. Pawley

Summary of Staff Recommendations (see report text for discussion):

Application: ☒ Approval ☐ Disapproval ☐ Approval with Conditions
Waiver: ☐ Approval ☐ Disapproval ☒ Not Applicable

Summary of Staff Recommended Conditions (see report text for discussion):

- None

Projected Docket Closure Date (if automatically approved): 3 September 2012

Investigation Report

Project Description: Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc. plans to retire approximately 100 feet of 16" bare steel pipe and replace it with 12" treated steel pipe. One existing block valve setting is also scheduled to be retired and replaced with new facilities. Columbia Gas is performing this work due to the age and condition of the existing facilities. The maximum allowable operating pressure in this line will be 145 PSIG with normal operating pressure at 144 PSIG. All facilities will be installed inside of public right-of-way. This is the last of four phases of this project (Reference 09-345-GA-BNR for completed phases one through three).

Site Description: This project is located in the city of Toledo, Lucas County, Ohio. This project is located on South Avenue just west of Thad Street. Adjacent properties consist of scattered commercial businesses, residences and an abandoned railroad line.

Discussion/Comments/Concerns: The construction of this project will require new pipe to be inserted into the existing pipe that is being abandoned as it crosses under the railroad tracks. Additionally, driveways to adjacent businesses may be affected. The Applicant has indicated that excavation will be outside of the roadway and that two way traffic will be maintained. The Applicant will communicate with the City of Toledo's Traffic Department during the construction. Two holes will be dug to tie in the pipe that is inserted under the railroad tracks with the existing lines. This project should pose only minimal social and environmental impacts.

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